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The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room on February 4, 1964 at 7:30 P.M. with Mayor B.E. Ball presiding.

Present: B.E. Ball J.C. Holcomb, A.O. Umstead, J.B. Taggart

Also Present: C.F. Jester, Jr., City Manager & R.T. Winston, City Attorney

Absent: Archie Woods

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Victor Jones, Chief of Fire Department, appeared before council requesting #2649 permission for the Fire Department to sponsor a carnival in July. Council suggested that the Fire Department have the City Manager draw up a petition concerning the Fire Department carnival held on Kentucky Avenue. This petition must be signed by 75% of the residents in that immediate area.

Victor Jones, "Red" Trinkle, and Vernon Flanary appeared before the #2650 council asking that council keep in mond the necessity of the purchase of a "Snorkle" for the Fire Department. They advised council of the insurance rate classification of the City and the possibility of an increase if new equipment was not purchased before the next classification time. Council assured the Fire Department that the \$5,000.00 as budgeted would be set aside for this purchase and that when the new budget was prepared a like amount or possibly more would be budgeted. They also advised the Fire Department to come back to council in the new budget year and that possibly they could get a committment from council of the purchase of a new truck.

Mr. Jester advised council that he had no further report on liability insurance for the City.

Mr. Jester reported to council on delinquent tax collection of Norton Community Hospital. Council instructed the City Manager to follow this matter thru with the assistance of the City Attorney.

Council discussed the condition of the football field and asked what the \$\#2653\$ plans were for this year. Council instructed the City Manager to contact Mr. McCormick, County Farm Agent, to find out the type of seed to plant on the field. They also instructed the City Manager to have the grass planted on the field before the end of March.

Mr. Ball brought to council's attention the fact that the dams were not #2654 full as of the 1st of February. Mr. Jester advised council that the upper dam was 9' down and the lower dam was 6' down.

Mr. Jester reported that delinquent tax collections for month of #2655 January, 1964: taxes, \$587.10; penalty & interest \$162.14, making a total collected for the year of \$17,959.99. Council discussed further collection of delinquent taxes. The method of collection was left to the discretion of the City Manager.

Mr. Jester gave the fire report for month of January, 1964. There were three fires during the month.

Council discussed the retirement plan for City employees. 2657 Council instructed the City Manager to proceed on basis of getting more information from the insurance companies without obligating the City.

Mr. Jester advised council that the revenue from the sewer #2658 bonds had been invested.

Mr. Jester reported on status of sewer plant construction. #2659

Mr. Ball advised council that there were no further #2660 developments on the Appalachian Regional Plan.

There being no further business to come before the council same adjourned.

Mayor

Clerk